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In re application of

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Examiner: Steven D. Maki

RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated May 14, 2002, Applicant hereby elects without traverse the invention of Group II, claims 8-22, for examination on the merits.

Applicant reserves the right to file a divisional application directed to non-elected claims 1 and 3-7.

The USPTO is directed and authorized to charge all required fees (except the Issue Fee and/or the Publication Fee) to our Deposit Account No. 19-4880. Please also credit any overpayment to said Deposit Account.

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